

## United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO. FILING DATE FIRST NAMED INVENTOR ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. CONFIRMATION NO. 10/629,897 07/30/2003 Itaru Sakou 1448.1042 6247 07/06/2007 EXAMINER STAAS & HALSEY LLP SUITE 700 LIN, JERRY 1201 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W. ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER WASHINGTON, DC 20005

> MAIL DATE **DELIVERY MODE** 07/06/2007

**PAPER** 

1631

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.



## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

DATE MAILED:

Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

APPLICATION NO./ CONTROL NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR / PATENT IN REEXAMINATION		ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.
10629897	7/30/2003	SAKOU, ITARU	1448.1042	
		EXAMINER  Jerry Lin		
STAAS & HALSEY LLP SUITE 700				
1201 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W. WASHINGTON, DC 20005			ART UNIT	PAPER
1)(1)	,		1631	20070625

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

**Commissioner for Patents** 

## Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

The reply filed on April 20, 2007, is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The response does not address the rejections in the Office Action mailed July 11, 2006. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant should submit an argument under the heading "Remarks" pointing out disagreements with the examiner's contentions. Applicant must also discuss the references applied against the claims, explaining how the claims avoid the references or distinguish from them.

## Contact Information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jerry Lin whose telephone number is (571) 272-2561. The examiner can normally be reached on 10:00am-6:30pm M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ram Shukla, can be reached on (571) 272-0735. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access the automated information system, call (800) 786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

/JL/

/Shubo (Joe) Zhou/ SHUBO (JOE) ZHOU, PH.D. PRIMARY EXAMINER